

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There are provided hyperthermostable proteases having an amino acid sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1, 3 and 5 of the Sequence Listing or functional equivalents thereof and hyperthermostable protease genes encoding those hyperthermostable protease. There is also disclosed a process for preparation of a hyperthermostable protease by culturing a transformant containing the gene.

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